Caseville Harbor Commission January 18, 2017

Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Wroblewski.

Present: Jerry Wroblewski, Bob Given, Ken Rathje, Wade Lightheart, Coleen Connor, and Recording Secretary Shelley Stirrett. Excused: Pete Dutcher.

Motion by Rathje second by Given to approve the agenda. **Motion carried.**

Motion by Given second by Lightheart to approve the November 18, 2016 minutes. **Motion** carried.

Treasurer's Report: Financial statements were reviewed. **Motion** by Rathje second by Lightheart to pay bills in the amount of \$12,490.52. **Motion carried.**

Harbormaster Report: None

Chairman's Report: Wroblewski reported that the monthly fuel check is going well and the gas tanks are full.

New Business: The representative from Great Lakes Small Harbor Coalition will keep in contact with the Chairman. 2017 wages were discussed. **Motion** by Given second by Rathje to set the 2017 wage for Frank Garner at \$9.50 per hour, the wages for Tim Burt at \$9.00 per hour and all other dock attendants wages to be \$8.90 per hour. **Motion carried.**

The increase in the gasoline tax resulted in the harbor paying an additional tax on the gas inventory of about \$800. The EXIT light in the Marina office and the missing range light will be repaired in the spring. Consensus was to make a budget adjustment for 2016-16 fiscal year increasing the budgeted amount of cost of gasoline to \$85,000. The 2017-18 budget will be reviewed at the February meeting.

Public Comment: Dave Thick questioned the seasonal rates – if they are set/increased due to competition, will they be reduced because there is no longer any competitive marinas? He also spoke out about not being able to fish or seine minnows at the Harbor. He felt that Veterans and Senior Citizens were not being treated fairly, and that the Harbormaster was being abusive to people fishing after the Harbor has closed and should be answerable to the Board. Discussion was held on liability issues, security issues of boats remaining in the Harbor after the October 15 closing, and minnow seining. Further discussion will take place at the February meeting and when the Harbormaster returns in April.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: February 15, 2018.

Michelle Stirrett Recording Secretary